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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Re the Application of: **Masami KIDONO et al.**

Group Art Unit: **2615**

Serial No.: **09/614,725**

Examiner: **Brian C. GENCO**

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For: **ELECTRONIC IMAGING APPARATUS OPERABLE IN TWO MODES,
WITH A DIFFERENT OPTICAL BLACK CORRECTION
PROCEDURE BEING EFFECTED IN EACH MODE (As Amended).**

Attorney Docket No.: **000871**

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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated November 24, 2003, Applicants amend the claims as follows and submits the following remarks.


Amendments to the Title begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.

Response under 37 C.F.R. §1.111
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Amendment to the Title:

 Please delete the Title of the Invention in its entirety and replace it with the following
new Title:

ELECTRONIC IMAGING APPARATUS OPERABLE IN TWO MODES, WITH A
DIFFERENT OPTICAL BLACK CORRECTION PROCEDURE BEING EFFECTED IN
EACH MODE.